

RESPONSIBILITY WITH GERMANY

United States Holds with Allies
that Germany is Morally
Responsible for War.

Washington, D. C., April 4 (By U. P.)—The United States government stands with the governments of the Allies in holding Germany morally responsible for the war, and obliged to pay full reparations, Secretary of State Hughes declares in communications presented to the German government.

The text of the communication was made public at the state department today. It was an indirect reply, and was not a formal note.

TRAINING WAIFS OF CAIRO

Government of Egyptian City Has In-
stituted School Where Stray Boys
Will Be Educated.

It looks as if the problem of the waifs and strays of Cairo was going to receive at last serious attention.

After much insistence on the part of some public-spirited officials a special school for boys of this class has been opened in the environs of Cairo, where they will be looked after and trained by the government without their having committed some crime to admit them into the reformatory, previously the only institution of the kind.

Nothing so far has been done for the girl children, though another home is promised for this purpose. It is therefore satisfactory to hear of the formation of an organization called the "Brotherhood Federation," ostensibly nonsectarian and international, with the object of looking after and improving the lot of the child waifs generally.

A meeting recently held in support of this movement was given much prominence in the local English papers, but in spite of its intimate bearing on a purely Egyptian problem none of the Arabic papers appears to have given the matter any publicity.—Christian Science Monitor.

Progressed by Slow Stages.

Thirty years ago the men of Hartshay, a hamlet of Derbyshire, England, were accustomed to meet at a bridge on the edge of the town, where they would read the papers and discuss events. This was all right in summer time, but in the winter it was different and they would occasionally adjourn to a sheltered spot under the bridge. From this they moved into a vacated playst and later annexed another playst. This rude building was improved by their own efforts until it was a fairly comfortable place. From this humble origin there is now a rather pretentious library, with the best papers and magazines and a stock of good books.

PRINCE IS DEAD

Athens, Greece, April 4 (By U. P.)—Prince Andrew, brother of King Constantine of Greece has died of wounds received with the Turks near Brussa, according to a Greek statement issued today. General Vlahopoulos has also been reported as killed.

THE WEATHER

Fair and warmer tonight. Tuesday, increasing cloudiness, probably becoming unsettled.

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Alma College is not a local institution as far as the service it renders is concerned. It does, however, meet local educational needs. A third of its students have been drawn from within a fifty mile radius. In the days gone by those who needed a college most could not have founded one. It was necessary that Alma College be founded by the FEW in order that the many might benefit. Now the many in their turn are being appealed to.

An obligation exists. The only way it can be wiped out is to take the institution the past has given us and hand it on to the future enlarged and improved.

There are two general classes of colleges. There are the ones that are GOING AHEAD; that are adding buildings and equipment to their facilities; and there are the ones that, while not advancing, are trying to hold their ground. But try as it may a college cannot stand still. The law of growth is the law of life. The man, the business, the college that is not advancing is falling behind. A college must either go forward or slip backward.

Alma College is attempting to go forward. In doing so it is obeying the dictates of necessity as well as those of a laudable ambition. If it can increase its facilities, it can double its attendance; if it does not increase its facilities, overcrowding, will in the end, result in a diminished usefulness.

Alma College has a definite work to perform. Two of the foremost educational authorities in the United States have testified to that fact. The General Education Board has pledged the institution \$75,000 and the Presbyterian Board of Education has pledged it \$50,000 on condition that its friends raise equal amounts as a result of a public appeal.

These are, therefore, critical days in the history of the college. She has of necessity been compelled to lay her cause before the home folks and ask not simply ENDORSEMENT but FINANCIAL SUPPORT at their hands.

The college is seeking the support of the home folks because it must seek the support of its friends everywhere.

Who are the friends of Alma College? They are those who will help her when she needs help. It is not enough to say:

"Yes, Alma College is doing a good work."

Moral support will not build buildings. The college is asking her friends not only to VOICE approval of the work she has done, is doing and hopes to do, but to

SAY IT WITH DOLLARS.

Mistletoe Superstition.

Mistletoe, when not suspended in the air, is regarded by the superstitious as a harbinger of bad luck. There is an old reason for hanging a bunch of mistletoe in the center of the room, a custom which had nothing frivolous about it in the first place. Balder, in Scandinavian mythology, was killed by an arrow of mistletoe. On his being restored to life it was promised that the plant would never again perpetrate evil unless it touched the earth.

MAY SETTLE THE RAILROAD CRISIS

President Harding is Expected
to Call Both Sides to Settle
Differences.

Chicago, April 4.—(By U. P.)—Bert M. Jewell, president of the railroad section of the American Federation of Labor, was enroute for Washington this morning to confer with President Harding on the railroad crisis.

Executives and employees have been conducting a fight before the United States Railroad Labor Board for the past three months, following the action of the railroad managements in asking that the national shop agreement be abrogated. It is expected that President Harding will call both sides together to settle their differences.

FASCINATION IN AIR FLIGHT

Various Reasons Advanced Why Peo-
ple Will Pay High Price for Short
Trip Through Space.

Why do people fly?
Would you care for a spin in the air so much as to spend \$15 for a 20 minutes' flight? If so, what is your motive?

Interviewing a half dozen commercial aviators along Miami's water front on this subject brought the following facts to light:

About 60 per cent of all passengers carried on the short 20 minutes' sight-seeing flights are women.

According to aviators the types to whom scraping the clouds appeals are:

The wealthy man—the business man. He wants to see what flying is like. He sees the future of commercial aviation. The short flight offers also a novel method of entertaining friends.

The "sport." He flies for the excitement of the thing. He usually insists on stunt flying. Then, too, an occasional flight provides a way of demonstrating to his friends his sporting self.

The average man. He finds in the short flight at \$15 for himself or \$25 for himself and a companion a method of realizing the thrill and pleasures of the air. He is presented with an opportunity of realizing an overwhelming desire at a minimum expense.

The large percentage of women passengers is considered something of a slip at those reveling in the thought that women were too timid to fly. According to pilots, in most cases women accept an offer of an aerial spin on the direct dare of their masculine companion.—Miami (Fla.) Herald.

Educate Your Dollars.
Placard in a rural store: "Trade Here and Teach Your Dollars to Have More Cents."—Boston Transcript.

PEOPLE OF OUR TOWN



The Liberal Adviser is dispensing Free Advice from his Windy Cave of Wisdom and Experience but it falls on Deaf Ears, for Advice is quoted at .00% These Days, with No Takers. He tells the Farmers how to Farm, the Banker how to Bank and the Editor how to Edit, hence these few Protest- ing Lines.

Blowing Cork Out of Bottle.

Place in the neck of a wide-mouthed bottle a cork considerably too small for it and try to blow it in the bottle. Instead of going in it will generally fly out. The reason is that the blowing compresses the air in the bottle and this, recoiling like a spring, drives the cork out. To succeed, the experiment must be tried with bottle and cork perfectly dry, so that one will not stick to the other.—Exchange.

No Return on Investment.

"Gentlemen," said the speaker, "I can't sit still without saying a word, and so I rise. I will speak what lies close to my heart. Everybody debates the future of the country. Buildings are erected for posterity. Everything that is done, built, planted, is simply for the benefit of posterity. Now what in heaven's name has posterity done for us?"

True Style.

Proper words in their proper places make the true definition of style.—Swift.

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To Write Well.
For a man to write well there are required three necessities: to read the best authors, observe the best speakers, and much exercise of his own style. In style, to consider what ought to be written, and after what manner he must first think and excogitate his matter, then choose his words and examine the weight of either, then take care in placing and ranking both matter and words that the composition be comely; and to do this with diligence and often.—Ben Jonson.

Origin of Manitoba.

The name Manitoba sprang from the union of two Indian words, Manito (the Great Spirit), and Waba (the "narrows" of the lake). This strait was a sacred place to the Crees and Saulteurs, who called them "Manito-Waba," or the "Great Spirit's Narrows."



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